

THE TOWN OF MERRIMAC

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Merrimac, WI 53561

MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, August 3, 2011

Present were Steve Peetz, Chair, Supervisor John Gaedke, Supervisor Terry Frosch and Tim McCumber, Town Administrator & Clerk – Treasurer.

Peetz called the **TOWN BOARD MEETING** to order. McCumber confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed. The board considered approval of minutes of the town board meeting of July 6, 2011. Motion by Frosch to approve, second by Gaedke. Motion passed. The board reviewed the financial reports and approval of bills. Motion by Peetz to approve, second Frosch. Motion passed. Under **PUBLIC COMMENT**, no one appeared. Under **CORRESPONDENCE**, the town received a letter from the DNR regarding South Lake Road. The town sent a letter notifying the DNR that the road right-of-way (ROW) is not acceptable and we would terminate the agreement for maintenance August 8th. The DNR responded that they will end the agreement on September 1st. The result is the town will resume maintaining the ROW. McCumber will see if South Lake Road is on the ordinance giving the Sheriff policing authority and if not, we will have to add it as the DNR will no longer have policing authority on the road. The town received a request from Kid Wish Network for an area boy with cerebral palsy. McCumber noted that the town does not generally acknowledge individual requests, but wanted to make the public aware the request exists if anyone wants to contribute individually. Under **ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**, McCumber reported that a Public Hearing regarding SmartGrowth Amendments will be held prior to the Sept. 7 Town Board meeting. Act AB-10 that was passed requires all municipalities to adopt employee grievance policy rules. McCumber will have a proposed policy and resolution next month. The town's website site visits are nearing 50,000 and its 8th anniversary. There was no **OLD BUSINESS**. Under **NEW BUSINESS**, the board discussed a town acknowledgement form for Sauk County Planning & Zoning Board of Adjustment for a filling and grading special exception permit for Dale and Linda Kent on property located at E13387 Grace Street (tax parcel 026-1054-00000) with comments. McCumber reported that we have had a couple of instances recently where applicants complete the filling and grading for the purpose of construction and then fail to obtain town permits. McCumber recommends that in the future comments should include any town regulations the applicant would need to follow. In this case, it would recommend moving a proposed patio out of the side yard setback and a reminder to obtain permits for the structures from the town. Motion to approve with comments by Peetz, second by Gaedke. Motion passed. The board also discussed the approval of the annual town audit for 2010 as completed by Miller, Brussel, Ebben and Glaeske, LLC. McCumber reported the audit as complete with no problems. Motion to accept the 2010 audit by Peetz, second by Gaedke. Motion passed. The board then discussed a prepay contract to purchase 700 gallons of heating propane from Hohl's Propane for \$1.989 per gallon. McCumber noted we had about 1,300 gallons from prior contracts. A motion was made by Gaedke, second by Frosch to purchase 700 gallons at \$1.989 per gallon. Motion passed. Finally, the board considered a request from Merrimac's Women's Club for \$500 to sponsor tents at the Merrimac Community Festival August 6 & 7, 2011. A motion by Peetz approve the request with a note to make the request by the October budget meeting for the following year in the future, motion seconded by Gaedke. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn by Gaedke, second by Frosch. Motion passed.

Town Officers: Steve Peetz, Chair, 493-2106; Terry Frosch, Supervisor, 493-2891; John Gaedke, 356-2301; Supervisor, 493-2891; Tim McCumber, Town Administrator and Clerk-Treasurer, 493-2588 (**please, no calls at residence except for emergencies**). Assessor: Steve Mahlik, Equity Appraisal, LLC, 608/826-0009. Email address: townmerr@merr.com. Building permits are required in the Town of Merrimac. Contact Tim McCumber for permits and zoning regulations (tnadmin@merr.com). Town website: <http://www.tn.Merrimac.wi.gov>. Special Garbage Collection requests to Peterson Sanitation: 608/524-6603.

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